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SUBJ: PSP MEMBER TO VISIT U.S. AND PROMOTE JUNTA DEMOCRATICA

SUMMARY: LEADING MEMBER OF TIerno GALVAN'S PSP WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BUSINESS VISIT TO DALLAS NEXT WEEK TO ALSO STOP OFF IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK TO PROMOTE PSP POLITICAL OBJECTIVES, AS WELL AS TO BOOST COMMUNIST-MANIPULATED JUNTA DEMOCRATICA. POSSIBLE CONTACTS MIGHT INCLUDE SOME MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. END SUMMARY

1. PRIMITIVO DE LA QUINTANA, YOUNG MEMBER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROF TIerno GALVAN'S POPULAR SOCIALIST PARTY (PSP) AND PERHAPS THIRD RANKING PERSON IN PSP, AFTER TIerno GALVAN AND DEPUTY RAUL MORODO, IS TRAVELING TO US MAY 3-11.
2. ALTHOUGH TRIP IS TO ACCOMPANY THREE SPANISH BUSINESSMEN TO DALLAS TO HELP THEM CLOSE A FINANCIAL TRANSACTION RE SCRAP IRON, DE LA QUINTANA TOLD LABATT HE WILL SUBSEQUENTLY LEAVE BUSINESSMEN IN LATTER PART OF WEEK TO FLY TO WASHINGTON FOR FEW DAYS AND THEN TO NEW YORK FOR ANOTHER DAY BEFORE RETURNING MADRID. DE LA QUINTANA FRANKLY STATED HE WAS VISITING WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK AT INSTRUCTIONS OF TIerno GALVAN IN ORDER CONTACT VARIOUS AMERICAN POLITICAL FRIENDS OF PSP AND TO PROMOTE PSP IMAGE AND OBJECTIVES. WHEN ASKED WHETHER HE ALSO WOULD SEEK PROMOTE COMMUNIST-MANIPULATED JUNTA DEMOCRATICA,

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TO WHICH PSP BELONGS, DE LA QUINTANA ADMITTED TO LABATT HE WOULD

ALSO BE DOING THAT.

3. ONLY SPECIFIC PERSON DE LA QUINTANA MENTIONED THAT HE WOULD SEEK TO CONTACT IN WASHINGTON WAS AN UNAMED PERSON WHOM HE CLAIMED PSP KNOWS, WHO HE SAID IS A SECRETARY ON STAFF OF SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY, AND WHOM HE HOPED WOULD BE ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR HIM TO SEE KENNEDY. HE ALSO MADE SOME VAGUE REFERENCES TO CONTACTS PSP HAD HAD IN PAST YEARS WITH CERTAIN UNSPECIFIED CONGRESSMEN, WHICH HE ALSO INTENDED TO SEEK TO FOLLOW UP ON DURING THIS VISIT.

4. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH, ASIDE FROM HOPED-FOR KENNEDY INTERVIEW, AMERICAN "FRIENDS" OF PSP IN CONGRESS WERE NOT SPECIFIED, EMBASSY BELIEVES DE LA QUINTANA MAY SEEK SEE SOME CONGRESSMEN AND FORMER CONGRESSMEN WITH WHOM TIerno GALVAN AND HIS FOLLOWERS ALLEGE THEY HAVE HAD SOME CONTACT IN THE PAST, SUCH AS CONGRESSMEN FRASER OF MINNESOTA AND FORMER CONGRESSMEN ALLARD LOWENSTEIN.

IT APPEARS DE LA QUINTANA WILL SEEK, INTER ALIA, PROMOTE PSP LINE OF BOOSTING COMMUNIST-MANIPULATED JUNTA DEMOCRATICA AS ONLY VIABLE SOLUTION FOR POST-FRANCO SPAIN. DE LA QUINTANA DID NOT SAY WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD SEEK SEE ANYONE IN STATE DEPT OR EXECUTIVE BRANCH, ALTHOUGH THIS POSSIBILITY CANNOT BE EXCLUDED. THIS VISIT, FOLLOWING UPON EARLY MARCH VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF JUNTA MEMBER RAFAEL CALVO SERER, APPEARS REPRESENT CONTINUING EFFORT DEIVERSE JUNTA GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS TO SEEK PROMOTE JUNTA IN U.S.

5. IT SHOULD BE NOTED DE LA QUINTANA SPEAKS RELATIVELY FLUENT ENGLISH.

6. IN VIEW COMMUNIST INSPIRATION AND MANIPULATION OF JUNTA DEMOCRATIC COALITION, REQUEST DEPARTMENT INSURE SENATOR KENNEDY'S OFFICE AND OTHERS FULLY INFORMED OF BACKGROUND OF JUNTA DEMOCRATICA AND OF ROLE OF PSP IN JUNTA.
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